

Rackheath Primary School

Newsletter



Friday 31st March 2017

Another term has flown by. It has been another busy and exciting term at Rackheath, with lots going on. The children have continued to shine in their attitude and approach to work and school. Thank you to all the staff for their hard work and dedication too.



Talent show – On Friday afternoon the school was treated to a celebration of talent. Altogether we had 42 acts that showcased their singing, dancing, acting, musical, acting and gymnastic talent. Our winners are pictured.

Thanks to the school council who did a great job in organising the show, with the help of Mrs Goddard.

South American Day

On the 28th of March, Year 5 had a very exciting South American fancy dress / carnival day! The day started off with some Amazon rainforest collage art. We designed a background first, using chalk and pastels and then cut out lots of South American objects to be stuck onto the foreground. This included things such as trees, waterfalls and snakes. Then we created our own masks and flags to be used later on in the day and for our class photo. During the morning, lots of children went out to cook our delicious lunch. We had South American Locra (stew) which contained butternut squash, chorizo and vegetables. To go with the stew, we made honey bread. It was delicious! In the afternoon we listened to lots of South American style music and had to create our own



music using lots of equipment as well as a dance to accompany the music! Last of all, we had our group photo. It was a great day and everyone had lots of fun.

By Matthew Dove, Luke Royston and Harry Brown.

Year 4's Egyptian / Roman Day

We started off by making a video. We were posing to pictures with music. Some of the scenes were slaves putting make up on the ladies, gladiators fighting, slaves working for the pharaohs and Miss Maibaum filming.

We finished our Tutankhamun masks that now look really cool. We made them with mod rock which is what you put around you when you break a bone, gold spray paint and blue paper stripes.

One of our activities was making pitta breads / flat breads. The recipe was:

Two cups of flour
A tea spoon of salt
3 quarters of a cup of milk
1 tablespoon of olive oil

1. Heat the oven 375 degrees Fahrenheit
2. Mix flour and salt
3. Then flip the dough
4. Divide the dough into four
5. Then bake it in the oven



Then finally we got to eat it, it was really tasty. We also sampled Egyptian fruit. It was a really good day. It was amazing that we were allowed to dress up.

By Rebecca Burrows, Mason Parfitt-Bland and Jamie Tye

Year 3 Maternity Cover



Miss Brannan will be on maternity leave from May half term. We are really pleased that Miss Hannant will be sharing teaching duties with Miss Magee for the rest of this year and for the period of Miss Brannan's maternity leave.

Midday Supervisors – We are looking to recruit new people to our MSA team after Easter. If you are interested please let the office know or have a chat with Mr Cavender or myself.

Red Nose Day – The children had lots of fun last Friday. All together we raised just over £450 with the sale of the Red Noses.

Attendance Certificates

84 children have been at school every day this term. We had 54 Bronze Certificates and 30 Silver Certificates. Well done to all those children.



Celebration Assembly – Well done to all the children who received the special celebration awards on Thursday. It was lovely to share their special moment with lots of family members.



Reception: Leo Pask and Katy Webb

Year 1: Corey Carpenter and Lily Ardagh-Ptolomey

Year 2: Ben Crook and Hattie Smith

Year 3: Carys Tomlinson and Jay Barrett

Year 4: Ethan Royston and Hannah Scotton

Year 5: Brooke Perrins and Oliver Moore

Year 6: Aston Culling and Stanley Bond.

Swimming Certificates – Well done to all the Year 4 children who received their swimming certificates today. Miss Maibaum has really been really impressed with all of the class in their swimming lessons.



Year 2 Tests – On Monday 24th April Mrs Grogutt and I will be holding an information sharing meeting about the tests Year 2 take in May. We will explain how we approach the tests and there will be lots of chances to ask questions. The meeting will be in the hall from 2.15pm.



E-Safety Day – We are really pleased to confirm that we are going to be hosting a follow up E-Safety Day for primary age children with EST e-safety, the same group that led the recent event at Broadland. As part of this event there is a parent workshop. Feedback from those parents who attended at Broadland was that it was incredibly powerful and useful. The date for your diary is Monday 3rd July.

Football - On Thursday we had an away football match against North Walsham. In a really close game the team had more chances than Walsham but just couldn't score. In the end we narrowly lost 1-0. We have finished our league games now, with a record of won 4 and lost 2. This will hopefully mean we finish second in the league!

Squash Club - On Wednesday the squash club enjoyed a super session of squash at Broadland Squash Club. The children had a lot of fun playing on proper courts. Thanks to all the parents who helped with lifts. Jake, Rob and the team at Broadland also deserve our thanks for giving the children the chance to play such a super sport. I very much hope some of the children carry on playing.



Clubs after Easter – Football and Netball clubs will both start in the first week back after Easter.

Library Opening – We will be opening the library on Monday 3rd April from 10.30am – 12.00pm. All welcome to come and enjoy books with your children, coffee, biscuits and a chat and to borrow some books for the holiday.



Tea-time Church – All are welcome to attend this on Sunday 2nd April from 4.00pm – 5.00pm for Easter crafts, activities, stories and games

Retro Alley – On the first day back after Easter, Tuesday 18th April, Retro Alley will be in school at the end of the day with their pop-up uniform shop.



Year 4 Cycling Group – A reminder that some of Year 4 will be starting their cycling programme on Thursday 20th and Friday 21st April Year 4. This will be on the playground. For more information please see Miss Maibaum.

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Well done to Year 6 who had 99% attendance last week!

Star, Angel and Diamond Certificate Winners – Well done to the following children who got their certificates in assembly today.

	STAR	ANGEL	DIAMOND
Reception	Amber Houston	Alice Tandy	Isabelle Jefferson
Year 1	Josie Solomon	Holly Addison	Skyla Downing
Year 2	Chloe Smith	Sadie Pennycook	Charlotte Mann
Year 3	Lucy Eglen	Alfie Betts	Roman Carey
Year 4	Keegan Mickleburgh	Jamie Tye	Isabelle Mann
Year 5	Molly Broadwater	Eloisa Orme	Marshall Newton
Year 6	Finley Betts	Joe Turner	Amelia-Mae Evans

Have a fantastic Easter break. See you all at the start of the Summer Term on Tuesday 18th April.

Chris Ashman